

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

**CONCEPT DRAFT
SUMMARY**

This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

This bill proposes to provide for a rebuttable presumption of eligibility for workers' compensation benefits for hepatitis or hepatic-related disease for firefighters and emergency medical services personnel who have been active members of a municipal fire department or a volunteer firefighters' association for at least 2 years prior to the onset of the disease. The presumption would not apply to a firefighter who provided firefighting services for more than one entity, e.g., a firefighter who worked with more than one municipal fire department or who worked with a municipal fire department and a volunteer firefighters' association.